

## Electricity From Irrigation Water

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SUBJECT: LOWER SNAKE RIVER STUDY

The Authority appreciated opportunity to review the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Draft Lower Snake River Juvenile Salmon Migration Study examining ways to improve salmonid migrating conditions. Based upon the high degree of uncertainty about the outcomes of PATH AND CRI analyses, the Authority supports adoption of Alternatives 1 or 2 as most practical to improve lower Snake River migrating conditions.

Sincerely,

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